

**IN THE CLAIMS**

1. (Currently Amended) A method in a data processing system having a program for a server to handle one or more client requests, the method comprising the steps of: obtaining one or more of said client requests for hierarchically organized data at a server; dividing said client requests into one or more smaller units, said smaller units being a unit serviceable by a worker thread; placing said smaller units in a queue; and servicing said units in order.
2. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein said client requests are in XML format.
3. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein said hierarchically organized data is stored using a Document Object Model.
4. (Canceled)
5. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein said server is a registry server.
6. (Original) The method of claim 4 wherein said queue is handled using a FIFO scheduling algorithm.
7. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein said units are defined by an XML <envelope> and an XML </envelope> tag.
8. (Currently Amended) A computer program product comprising:

a computer usable medium having computer readable program code embodied therein configured to cause a server to handle one or more client requests comprising:

computer readable code configured to cause a computer to obtain one or more of said client requests for hierarchically organized data at a server;

computer readable code configured to cause a computer to divide said client requests into one or more smaller units, said smaller units being a unit serviceable by a worker thread;

computer readable code configured to cause a computer to place said smaller units in a queue; and

computer readable code configured to cause a computer to service said units in order.

9. (Original) The computer program product of claim 8 wherein said client requests are in XML format.

10. (Original) The computer program product of claim 8 wherein said hierarchically organized data is stored using a Document Object Model.

11. (Canceled)

12. (Original) The computer program product of claim 8 wherein said server is a registry server.

13. (Original) The computer program product of claim 11 wherein said queue is handled using a FIFO scheduling algorithm.

14. (Original) The computer program product of claim 8 wherein said units are defined by an XML <envelope> and an XML </envelope> tag.

15. (Currently Amended) A server framework in a computer system comprising: a memory for storing one or more client requests for hierarchically organized data from a server; a thread pool object configured to divide said requests into one or more smaller units, said smaller units being a unit serviceable by a worker thread; placing said smaller units in a queue; and one or more worker objects configured to service said units in order.

16. (Original) The server framework of claim 15 wherein said client requests are in XML format.

17. (Original) The server framework of claim 15 wherein said hierarchically organized data is stored using a Document Object Model.

18. (Canceled)

19. (Original) The server framework of claim 15 wherein said server is a registry server.

20. (Original) The server framework of claim 18 wherein said queue is handled using a FIFO scheduling algorithm.

21. (Original) The server framework of claim 15 wherein said units are defined by an XML <envelope> and an XML </envelope>tag.

22. (Currently Amended) A system for implementing a server framework comprising:

a processor; and

a memory including:

one or more requests for hierarchically organized data transmitted from a client to a server;

a thread pool object configured to divide said requests into one or more smaller units, said smaller units being a unit serviceable by a worker object;  
a queue in which said smaller units are placed; and  
one or more worker objects configured to service said units in order.

23. (Original) The system of claim 22 wherein said requests are in XML format.

24. (Original) The system of claim 22 wherein said hierarchically organized data is stored using a Document Object Model.

25. (Canceled)

26. (Original) The system of claim 22 wherein said server is a registry server.

27. (Original) The system of claim 25 wherein said queue is handled using a FIFO scheduling algorithm.

28. (Original) The system of claim 22 wherein said units are defined by an XML <envelope> and an XML </envelope>tag.

29-35. (Canceled)

36. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1 wherein a plurality of client requests are received and said units represent portions of multiple from the plurality of client requests are placed in the same queue.

37. (Currently Amended) The computer program product of claim 8 wherein a plurality of client requests are received and said units represent portions of multiple from the plurality of client requests are placed in the same queue.

38. (Currently Amended) The server framework of claim 15 wherein a plurality of client requests are received and said units represent portions of multiple from the plurality of client requests are placed in the same queue.

39. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 22 wherein a plurality of client requests are received and said units represent portions of multiple from the plurality of client requests are placed in the same queue.

40. (New) The method of claim 36 wherein the plurality of client requests are received through a plurality of sockets, and wherein the worker thread services units received through at least two of the plurality of sockets.

41. (New) The computer program product of claim 37 wherein the plurality of client requests are received through a plurality of sockets, and wherein the worker thread services units received through at least two of the plurality of sockets.

42. (New) The server framework of claim 38 wherein the plurality of client requests are received through a plurality of sockets, and wherein the worker thread services units received through at least two of the plurality of sockets.

43. (New) The system of claim 39 wherein the plurality of client requests are received through a plurality of sockets, and wherein the worker object services units received through at least two of the plurality of sockets.